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Bernstein Liebhards & Lifshitz, LLP was formed in 1993 as a boutique litigation practice to represent institutional and individual investors in shareholder class and derivative litigation and consumers in consumer fraud and antitrust litigation.

Bernstein Liebhards & Lifshitz, LLP has been recognized by THE NATIONAL LAW JOURNAL for five consecutive years as one of the top plaintiffs' firms in the country. Of the thirteen firms named to the list in 2007, the firm is one of only two named for five straight years (and the only one to make securities litigation its primary focus). In 2007, the firm was one of only six plaintiffs' securities class action firms listed in THE LEGAL 500, a guide to the best commercial law firms in the United States. According to its editor, THE LEGAL 500 is an independent "guide to 'the best of the best' – the pre-eminent firms in the world's strongest and most competitive legal market." The firm has also received Martindale-Hubbell's highest ratings for legal ability (A) and ethical standards (V). With more than forty lawyers, the firm has offices in New York and Pennsylvania.

We have been appointed lead counsel in numerous class actions around the country and actively litigated scores of actions to successful conclusions. For example, the firm, as lead or executive committee counsel, has successfully obtained many multi-million dollar settlements of securities class actions and commercial litigations. These cases include: *In re Deutsche Telekom AG Securities Litigation* (\$120 million); *In re Cigna Corp. Securities Litigation* (\$93 million); *AXA Financial Shareholders Litigation* (\$500 million increased merger consideration); *Lin Broadcasting Corp. Shareholders Litigation* (\$64 million increased merger consideration); *Bankers Trust Securities Litigation* (\$58 million); *Bausch & Lomb, Inc. Securities Litigation* (\$42 million); *Riscorp Inc. Securities Litigation* (\$21 million); *Banpais S.A. Securities Litigation* (\$9.25 million); and *Triton Energy Corp. Securities*

*Litigation* (\$8 million). The firm acted as special litigation counsel to the Creditors Committee of Pandick Inc. (formerly the largest financial printer in the country) in connection with a complex fraudulent conveyance litigation and successfully recovered from Pandick's banks and directors over \$14 million for Pandick's creditors.

The firm has also served as lead counsel in numerous corporate governance and corporate takeover litigations (both hostile and friendly) on behalf of stockholders of public corporations. The firm has prosecuted actions challenging numerous highly publicized corporate transactions which violated fair process and fair price, and the applicability of the business judgment rule. These cases have resulted in multi-million dollar improvements in transaction terms and in strengthening the democratic rights of public shareholders. Recently, the firm successfully represented the public stockholders of Quickturn Design Systems, Inc. in a trial in the Delaware Chancery Court, which invalidated a modified "dead-hand" poison pill anti-takeover provision. The trial verdict was affirmed by the Delaware Supreme Court, paving the way for a takeover of Quickturn at a substantial premium.

Last year the firm created an appellate team, centered around partner Felecia Stern and of counsel Christian Siebott, both of whom clerked for the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit, and senior associate Ann Lipton, who clerked for the United States Supreme Court (Justice Souter) and the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit. Since February 2007, the firm's appellate team has filed three amicus curiae briefs in securities actions: *Stoneridge Investment Partners, LLC v. Scientific-Atlanta, Inc.* and *Tellabs, Inc. v. Makor Issues & Rights, Ltd.*, both before the Supreme Court, and *In re Dynex Capital Securities Litigation*, before the Second Circuit. These briefs were filed on behalf of eight states and five public pension funds in three cases concerning critical issues of investor protection and securities litigation. These states and public pension funds collectively manage approximately \$568 billion of pension funds, represent millions of pensioners, and have an acute interest in ensuring that investor rights are protected.

In addition, the firm recently filed an amicus curiae brief in the United States Supreme Court on behalf of Professor Arthur R. Miller in *Exxon Shipping Company v. Baker*. The appeal, arising from the protracted litigation following the 1989 Exxon Valdez oil spill, addresses complex issues of procedural

law, including the proper application of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 50. The brief, prepared by the firm at the request of and in collaboration with Professor Miller, identifies certain procedural errors by the Ninth Circuit that, if ratified by the Supreme Court, threaten to undermine the federal district courts' authority to manage their dockets in complex actions.

The firm has an active consumer practice, and has, for instance, obtained large settlements in consumer fraud class actions for classes consisting of owners and lessees of certain Volvo automobiles (\$30 million) and certain Saab automobiles (\$4.25 million). The firm has also achieved substantial consumer class action settlements against processors of apple juice, including Minute Maid, Juicy Juice, and Tropicana, as well as against Doan's Back Pills.

The firm is presently litigating antitrust and consumer class actions against Pfizer, Del Monte Fresh Produce Company, and many Not-For-Profit Hospitals in the Northeast.

Courts have repeatedly praised the efforts of the firm and its partners.

Vice Chancellor (now Delaware Supreme Court Chief Justice) Myron T. Steele, in approving a shareholder class action settlement about which the Court stated "I'm impressed with the innovative nature . . . of the benefit that's been provided," continued his remarks to partner Stanley Bernstein: "It's my turn to make a compliment in open court: that the plaintiff is represented by highly competent counsel, a counsel that demonstrates consistently to me an incredible work ethic in achieving the benefits that were achieved here." *In re Illinois Central Corp. Shareholders Litigation*, C.A. 16184 (Del. Ch.), Transcript of Hearing, Feb. 25, 1999 at 29-30.

Judge Denise Cote, in approving a \$7.5 million settlement where the firm served as sole lead counsel, found that: "Plaintiffs are represented by counsel who are skilled in federal securities and class action litigation . . . . Counsel have been diligent and well prepared. Jeffrey Haber, in particular, was especially helpful . . . . Plaintiffs' counsel has performed an important public service in this action and have done so efficiently and with integrity . . . . You have the thanks of this court." *In re Take Two Interactive Software, Inc. Securities Litigation*, 01 Civ. 9919, S.D.N.Y., Transcript of Hearing, Oct. 4, 2002 at 40, 44.

In approving a settlement on behalf of the purchasers of Tower Air, Inc. securities and describing the firm's services for the class as sole lead counsel, Judge Reena Raggi of the Eastern District of New York commented that: "The quality of the legal work throughout has been high and conscientious . . . ." *In re Tower Air, Inc. Securities Litigation*, 94 Civ. 1347, E.D.N.Y., Transcript of Hearing, Feb. 9, 1996 at 52.

Chief Judge Gene Carter of Maine, in commenting on three of the firm's current partners at their respective law firms, noted that "the performance of counsel . . . has been absolutely outstanding. It has been a pleasure to be involved with each of you in handling this case." *Nensel v. Peoples Heritage Financial Group, Inc.*, No. 91-324-P-C, D. Me., Transcript of Hearing, Dec. 17, 1992 at 12.

Judge Wayne Andersen of the Northern District of Illinois, in approving a proxy fraud settlement, commented to partner Stanley Bernstein: "Mr. Bernstein, it has actually been a pleasure getting to know and work with you on this. . . . [Y]ou make a really good presentation." *Hager v. Schawk, Inc.*, No. 95 C6974, N.D. Ill., Transcript of Hearing, May 21, 1997 at 22.

Similarly, Judge Robert Cindrich of the Western District of Pennsylvania, in approving a securities fraud settlement, endorsed the findings that: "Counsel . . . have been professional and realistic in this matter . . . . The court has been impressed with the competence and candor of counsel. . . ." *DeCicco v. American Eagle Outfitters, Inc.*, C.A. 95-1937, Report and Recommendation of Magistrate Judge Kenneth Benson, Nov. 25, 1996 at 6 (adopted as opinion of Court by Judge Cindrich, Dec. 12, 1996).

## **FIRM BIOGRAPHY**

### ***Partners***

Stanley D. Bernstein is a 1980 graduate of the New York University School of Law, where he was an editor of the Journal of International Law and Politics. In 2008, Lawdragon Magazine named him one of the "100 Lawyers You Need to Know in Securities Litigation," only seventeen of whom represent plaintiffs. Lawdragon named him one of the 500 Leading Plaintiffs' Lawyers in 2007 and one of the 500 Leading Litigators in America in 2006. He was named a Super Lawyer by Super Lawyer Magazine in the Fall of 2007. He is a frequent lecturer on directors and officers liability, class action practice and

securities law issues at seminars sponsored by Practising Law Institute, The American Conference Institute, the New York City Bar Association, the National Association of Corporate Directors, AIG Insurance, and other organizations. Before forming Bernstein Liebhard & Lifshitz, LLP, Mr. Bernstein practiced securities and commercial litigation at Weil, Gotshal & Manges, Gelberg & Abrams, and Kreindler & Kreindler.

Mr. Bernstein is lead counsel in *In re Royal Dutch/Shell Transport Securities Litigation*, chair of the Plaintiffs' Executive Committee in *In re Initial Public Offering Securities Litigation*, and has been lead counsel in many of the leading securities cases enforcing and expanding the rights of shareholders, including: *In re Sears, Roebuck Derivative Litigation* and *In re Archer Daniels Midlands Corp. Derivative Litigation* (pioneering cases which improved corporate governance at both companies); *In re Bankers Trust Securities Litigation* (largest recovery ever on behalf of defrauded securities sellers - \$58 million); and *Shapiro v. Quickturn Design Systems* (successfully tried in Delaware Chancery Court and affirmed by Delaware Supreme Court, invalidating anti-takeover device).

He has been lead counsel in scores of securities class actions and is one of the most active litigators in the nation on behalf of shareholder rights in the Delaware Chancery Court, where most important corporate governance litigation is conducted. He has tried many cases in state and federal court, and has successfully argued appeals on behalf of shareholders to the Delaware Supreme Court and the United States Second Circuit Court of Appeals. He is admitted to the Bars of the States of New York and Florida, the United States Supreme Court, the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit, and the United States District Courts for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York.

Sandy A. Liebhard is a 1988 graduate of Brooklyn Law School and has practiced all aspects of securities law for the past eighteen years. He has been lead or co-lead counsel in such major securities cases as: *In re AXA Financial Shareholders Litigation* (\$500 million in increased merger consideration); *In re Lin Broadcasting Corp. Shareholders Litigation* (recovering \$64 million in increased merger consideration); *In re Bausch & Lomb, Inc. Securities Litigation* (achieving a \$42 million recovery for defrauded shareholders); and *In re Tenneco Securities Litigation* (\$50 million recovery). Mr. Liebhard presently serves as lead or co-lead counsel in such major cases as *In re Terayon Communication Systems*,

*Inc. Securities Litigation, In re Revlon, Inc. Securities Litigation, and In re BellSouth Corp. Securities Litigation*, and is currently serving on the Plaintiffs' Executive Committee in *In re Initial Public Offering Securities Litigation*. He is admitted to the Bars of the State of New York and the United States District Courts for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York.

Mel E. Lifshitz is a 1989 graduate of Brooklyn Law School. Mr. Lifshitz is a distinguished litigator whose practice focuses on securities and consumer class action litigation. As lead or co-lead counsel, he has achieved the following settlements on behalf of shareholders: a \$93 million settlement in *In re Cigna Corp. Securities Litigation*, a \$58 million settlement in *In re Bankers Trust Securities Litigation*, a \$35 million settlement in *In re BellSouth Corp. Securities Litigation*, a \$21 million settlement in *In re Riscorp Inc. Securities Litigation*, a \$20.1 million settlement in *In re Lumenis Securities Litigation*, a \$20 million settlement in *In re Gilat Satellite Networks, Ltd.*, and a \$20 million settlement in *In re TASER International Securities Litigation*. In addition, Mr. Lifshitz is co-lead counsel in the following cases: *In re Xerox Corp. Securities Litigation* and *In re Marsh & McLennan Companies, Inc. Securities Litigation*, as well as lead or co-lead counsel in many other large securities class actions.

He was also the lead counsel in *Tuchman v. Volvo Cars of North America, Inc.*, a consumer class action that resulted in a settlement value of more than \$30 million. He is admitted to the Bars of the State of New York, the District of Columbia, and the United States District Courts for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York.

Jeffrey M. Haber received his B.S. from the State University of New York at Buffalo in 1985, graduating *magna cum laude* and as a *Phi Beta Kappa*. He received his J.D. in 1988 from Hofstra University School of Law, where he was a notes and comments editor for the *International Property Law Journal*. Upon graduation, Mr. Haber concentrated his practice in securities and commodity law with a New York law firm, where he represented both plaintiffs and defendants in arbitrations and litigations in various state and federal courts and self-regulatory agencies. In 1991, Mr. Haber became associated with, and later a member of, a New York plaintiffs' firm, Wechsler Harwood LLP, where he concentrated his practice on securities and consumer fraud class actions, antitrust class actions, and shareholders' rights litigation. In April 2000, Mr. Haber joined Bernstein Liebhards & Lifshitz, LLP as a partner,

concentrating his practice in complex class action litigation involving shareholders' rights, securities fraud, and consumer protection litigation. In his career, Mr. Haber has been a member of multiple trial teams in civil cases, and has conducted numerous securities arbitrations before the NASD and NYSE.

Mr. Haber has been lead counsel, co-lead counsel, or a member of an executive committee in a number of notable and successful class action litigations, including *In re Taxable Municipal Bonds Litigation* (E.D. La.) (\$110 million settlement) and *In re JDN Realty Corp. Securities Litigation* (N.D. Ga.) (\$16.8 million settlement). Mr. Haber also has been lead counsel, co-lead counsel, or a member of an executive committee in a number of successful shareholders' rights litigations, including: *In re The Times Mirror Co. Shareholders Litigation* (Del. Ch.) (settlement benefit in excess of \$20 million); *Edge Partners L.P. v. Dockser* (D. Md.) (settlement benefit in excess of \$11 million); and *In re Archer Daniels Midlands Corp. Derivative Litigation* (Del. Ch.) (settlement benefit in excess of \$8 million). Mr. Haber played a significant role in the factual investigation of *In re Home Shopping Network Inc. Derivative Litigation* (S.D. Fla.), which led to a settlement benefit in excess of \$20 million. He also played a significant role in the investigation and prosecution of *In re Banc One Securities Litigation* (N.D. Ill.), which resulted in a \$45 million settlement. Mr. Haber further served as lead counsel in a precedent-setting decision under the Investment Company Act of 1940 regarding the independence of directors serving on multiple boards of mutual funds operated by the same investment company. Mr. Haber is currently co-lead counsel in *In re Xerox Corp. Securities Litigation*, among other notable securities class actions. He is also the partner in charge of day-to-day supervision in *In re Royal Dutch/Shell Transport Securities Litigation*.

Mr. Haber is admitted to the Bars of the State of New York, the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit, and the United States District Courts for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York, the Western District of Pennsylvania, and the District of Arizona.

Robert J. Berg graduated from Amherst College *cum laude* with a B.A. in 1979, majoring in Economics and Psychology. In 1983, he received a J.D. from the University of Chicago Law School and an M.B.A. from the University of Chicago Graduate School of Business. Mr. Berg began his career as an attorney at Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom, where he specialized in antitrust litigation, and



continued his career at LeBoeuf, Lamb, Greene & MacRae, where he was a litigator. Mr. Berg then joined Wolf Popper LLP, and Lite DePalma Greenberg & Rivas, where he concentrated his practice on representing plaintiffs in securities and consumer fraud class actions. In 1998, Mr. Berg joined Bernstein Liebhard & Lifshitz, LLP, where he concentrates his practice in complex class action litigation involving shareholders' rights, securities fraud, consumer fraud, false advertising, and antitrust issues. Mr. Berg presently is one of the liaison counsel in *In re Initial Public Offerings Securities Litigation*. Mr. Berg was co-lead counsel for plaintiffs in *In re Deutsche Telekom AG Securities Litigation*, which was settled for a \$120 million in 2005. He was one of the lead attorneys representing plaintiffs in *In re Bankers Trust Securities Litigation*, which was settled for \$58 million in May 2002, a few weeks before trial.

Prior to joining the firm, Mr. Berg was the chief plaintiffs' attorney in *Princeton Economics Group, Inc. v. AT&T Corp.*, a national consumer fraud class action against AT&T for false advertising, which was one of the largest consumer fraud cases ever settled in the New Jersey state court system (a settlement valued by the Court at over \$90 million). Mr. Berg and the firm have also achieved other large settlements in national consumer fraud class actions, such as *Tuchman v. Volvo Cars of North America, Inc.* (more than \$30 million) and *Barton v. Saab Cars of North America, Inc.* (\$4.25 million). Mr. Berg is admitted to the Bars of the States of New York and New Jersey, the United States District Courts for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York and the District of New Jersey, and the Courts of Appeals for the Second, Third, and District of Columbia Circuits. Mr. Berg has been a member of the Trade Regulation Committee and the Consumer Affairs Committee of the New York County Lawyers Association and has been an arbitrator for the Civil Court of the City of New York.

Francis P. Karam graduated from Holy Cross College in 1977 with an A.B. in the Classics, and in 1981 received his J.D. from Tulane University School of Law. Upon graduation, he practiced admiralty and maritime law with a New York law firm, where he represented international insurance companies in commercial arbitrations and litigation in various federal courts. From 1984 to 1990, Mr. Karam was an Assistant District Attorney in the Bronx, where he served as a senior Trial Attorney in the Homicide Bureau. He entered private practice in 1990, specializing in trial and appellate work in state and federal courts. Before joining the firm, Mr. Karam was a partner at a prominent Manhattan plaintiffs'



securities firm. Mr. Karam has, in his career, tried over 100 criminal and civil cases, including complex cases involving tax fraud and commercial fraud. He has argued numerous appeals in state and federal courts.

Mr. Karam played a significant role in the factual investigation and successful opposition to the defendants' motions to dismiss in *In re Enron Securities Litigation*. He was co-lead counsel in *In re Aremissoft Securities Litigation Trust*, which alleged class action and other financial claims on behalf of equity holders. The Court described the case as "a panoply of complex legal issues resulting in an innovative application of traditional bankruptcy law." Mr. Karam was also co-lead counsel in *In re Thomas & Betts Securities Litigation*, where he achieved a \$46.5 million settlement on behalf of the shareholder class. He is currently co-lead counsel in *In re Xerox Corp. Securities Litigation* and *In re BellSouth Corp. Securities Litigation*. Recent successful settlements include: *In re Cigna Corp. Securities Litigation* (\$93 million), *In re Footstar Securities Litigation* (\$20.3 million), *In re SeeBeyond Securities Litigation* (\$13.1 million), *In re Quality Distribution Securities Litigation* (\$8.15 million), and *In re Deutsche Telecom Securities Litigation* (\$120 million). Mr. Karam concentrates his practice in complex class action litigation involving shareholders' rights and securities fraud. Mr. Karam is an active teacher and lecturer for the National Institute for Trial Advocacy, and recently was a panelist at the ABA Business Law section seminar *Corporate Accounting in the Wake of Enron*. He is admitted to the Bars of the State of New York and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit, and the United States District Courts for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York.

Rebecca M. Katz is a 1990 graduate of Hofstra University School of Law, where she was a member of the Hofstra Law Review. She has prosecuted securities fraud cases on behalf of the SEC and private investors throughout her entire career. As Senior Trial Counsel in the Enforcement Division of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (from 1990 through 1998), she prosecuted major cases involving violations of the federal securities laws, including insider trading, market manipulation, and accounting fraud. Representative cases include: *SEC v. Karczewski* (Stockbridge Funding) (S.D.N.Y.); *SEC v. Dillon* (BusinessWeek) (D. Conn.); *SEC v. F.N. Wolf & Co., Inc.* (S.D.N.Y.); and *SEC v. Sarivola*

(S.D.N.Y.). Before joining the firm in 2001, she was associated with Lief, Cabraser, Heimann & Bernstein, LLP, where she served as counsel for plaintiff classes in several securities cases, including *Dietrich v. Bauer* (S.D.N.Y.) (securities class action involving trading in the securities of Scorpion Technologies Inc.), and is presently serving on Plaintiffs' Executive Committee in *In re Initial Public Offering Securities Litigation* (S.D.N.Y.). She is admitted to the Bars of the State of New York and the United States District Courts for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York.

U. Seth Ottensoser graduated with high honors in 1992 from Queens College of the City University of New York, where he was elected to and became a member of Phi Beta Kappa. Mr. Ottensoser received a J.D. degree in 1995 from the University of Southern California School of Law. Mr. Ottensoser concentrates his practice in the areas of merger and acquisition litigation, securities class actions, and corporate litigation. He is a frequent lecturer on the issues of civil procedure, federal practice, class actions, and corporate governance, and has written extensively and been published on those matters. Mr. Ottensoser has served as a member of the Special Committee on Mergers, Acquisitions and Corporate Control Contests of the Association of the Bar of the City of New York. He is a regular lecturer at the UCLA Anderson School of Management Directors' and Officers' Certification Program, where he has also been a keynote lunch speaker. He is also a regular guest lecturer in Professor Geoffrey Miller's class on class action practice at the New York University School of Law. Before joining Bernstein Liebhard & Lifshitz, LLP, he was a partner at a prominent Manhattan plaintiffs' securities firm.

Mr. Ottensoser has been involved in many successful class actions, including: *In re Plains Resources, Inc. Shareholders Litigation*, No. 071-N (Del. Ch.) (\$67 million in additional merger consideration for the public shareholders of Plains Resources); *In re Mony Group, Inc. Shareholder Litigation*, No. 20554 (Del. Ch.) (Delaware Chancery Court issued a preliminary injunction enjoining the shareholder vote on a merger of MONY with AXA Financial, pending the issuance of curative disclosures by the MONY defendants; as part of the settlement, certain of MONY's executives forfeited approximately \$7.4 million in change-of-control payments, funding an increase in the consideration received by MONY's shareholders in the merger); *In re Sipex Corp. Securities Fraud Litigation* (\$6 million recovery); *In re Aetna, Inc. Securities Litigation* (\$82.5 million recovery); *In re Triton Energy*

*Ltd. Securities Litigation* (\$49.5 million recovery); *In re Ascent Entertainment Derivative Litigation* (\$40 million derivative settlement relating to the sale of the Denver Nuggets and Colorado Avalanche); *In re Waste Management Derivative Litigation* (\$25 million recovery); and *In re Kinkos Shareholder Litigation* (\$8.5 million recovery for class consisting of approximately 160 shareholders). He is currently the partner in charge of day-to-day supervision in *In re Marsh & McLennan Companies, Inc. Securities Litigation*, and is also involved in *In re Royal Dutch/Shell Transport Securities Litigation*. He is admitted to the Bars of the State of New York and the United States Courts for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York, the District of Colorado, and the Eastern District of Wisconsin.

William A. K. Titelman has been actively involved in government, law and public policy throughout his career. He began his career serving in several key positions in Pennsylvania state government, including Director of Motor Vehicles and Special Assistant to the Governor for Government Management. Then, after graduating from The Dickinson School of Law in 1980, Mr. Titelman led the Pennsylvania Trial Lawyers Association for nearly a decade in its efforts to protect and expand individual rights, including shareholder rights, and drafted key provisions of Pennsylvania's automobile insurance and consumer safety laws. Subsequently, he became a partner at Klett Rooney Lieber & Schorling, LLP (now Buchman Ingersoll & Rooney PC), a leading Pennsylvania law firm, where he served on the firm's Board of Directors and chaired both its Harrisburg office and its Administrative Law and Government Affairs Practice Group. One of his major clients was the Pennsylvania Public School Employees' Retirement System (PSERS).

In 1988, Mr. Titelman led the successful enactment of a new Pennsylvania Business Corporation Law. Then, during 1989 and 1990, he led a national campaign that included organizing major public pension funds and other institutional investors, shareholder rights activists, former SEC Commissioners, leading economists, and deans of business and law schools, to oppose and successfully amend Pennsylvania Senate Bill 1310. THE WALL STREET JOURNAL described this legislation as the most onerous anti-shareholder, management-protection bill ever proposed in the United States. His other legislative achievements include enactment of a seatbelt law, several environmental laws, including the nation's first "brownfields" law, and the nation's second electric utility deregulation law. He also served

as General Counsel to both the Pennsylvania Public School Building and Higher Educational Facilities Authorities.

Mr. Titelman went on to serve as Executive Vice President, Managed Care and Public Affairs, at Rite Aid Corporation, where he suffered substantial losses as a victim of one of the nation's largest securities frauds. He subsequently brought, and ultimately settled, an individual action for securities fraud against Rite Aid. Before joining BERNSTEIN LIEBHARD, he was a partner in the Washington, D.C. office of Duane Morris, LLP, a 500-lawyer national law firm.

Mr. Titelman has been active in Democratic politics for more than forty years. He is currently a member of the National Finance Committee and Deputy Treasurer of the Democratic Governors Association. He is also a member of the National Financial Board of the Democratic National Committee and a member of the Legacy Circle and Majority Trust of the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee. Among other recent activities, he served as national Finance Chair for the election of Pennsylvania Governor Ed Rendell, and as Co-Chair for the Democratic National Committee's battleground states finance efforts in 2004. He is also active with the Democratic Attorneys General Association.

Mr. Titelman is admitted to the Bars of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the United States District Court for the Middle District of Pennsylvania.

Timothy J. MacFall received his bachelor's degree in 1982 from Brooklyn College of the City University of New York, graduating *cum laude*, and received his J.D. in 1985 from Brooklyn Law School. Upon graduation from law school, he served as an Assistant District Attorney in the Narcotics Bureau of the Kings County District Attorney's Office. In 1987, he joined the Immigration & Naturalization Service as a Trial Attorney in the Alien Criminal Apprehension Program, and he was subsequently cross-designated a Special Assistant United States Attorney for the Eastern District of New York in connection with the first criminal prosecution of a corporation for violation of the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986. In 1988, Mr. MacFall was appointed as a Special Assistant United States Attorney in the Civil Division of the United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of New York. While at the United States Attorney's Office, he was a guest speaker at a U.S. State

Department Conference on the Supplementary Extradition Treaty between the United States and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, addressing the constitutional issues arising from the elimination of the political offense exception and renewed extradition requests under the Supplementary Treaty. Mr. MacFall has practiced all aspects of securities laws for the past fourteen years.

Mr. MacFall is currently working on several securities fraud class actions against numerous issuers of securities for allegedly misleading investors, including *In re Marsh & McLennan Companies, Inc. Securities Litigation*. Mr. MacFall has also been involved in many securities fraud class actions that were prosecuted to a successful conclusion, such as: *In re Take-Two Interactive Software Securities Litigation* (\$7.5 million cash settlement); *In re NCI Building Systems, Inc. Securities Litigation* (\$7 million cash settlement); *In re Turnstone Systems, Inc. Securities Litigation* (\$7 million cash settlement); *In re The St. Paul Companies Securities Litigation* (\$6.325 million cash settlement); *In re Unisys Corp. Securities Litigation* (\$5.75 million cash settlement); and *In re Fidelity Holdings Securities Litigation* (\$4.45 million cash settlement).

Mr. MacFall is admitted to the Bar of the State of New York. He is also admitted to practice before the United States District Courts for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York, the District of Colorado, the Eastern District of Wisconsin, and the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit.

Felecia L. Stern received her bachelor's degree in 1989 from Cornell University. She received her J.D. in 1992 from the University of Pennsylvania Law School, where she graduated *cum laude* and served as Comments Editor on the Law Review.

After graduation, Ms. Stern served as a law clerk to the Honorable Francis X. Altimari of the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit. Following her clerkship, and before joining Bernstein Liebhart & Lifshitz, LLP, Ms. Stern worked at Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP, where she represented defendant corporations in complex commercial litigations, including many securities fraud class actions and shareholders' rights litigations. She was also involved in a number of SEC and other governmental investigations.

Ms. Stern joined the firm in 2002, and concentrates her practice in securities fraud actions. She also has significant appellate experience and has worked on important securities appeals during both her tenure at Simpson Thacher and the firm, including *In re Initial Public Offering Securities Litigation*, one of the largest securities class actions in history. Since joining the firm, Ms. Stern has been involved in several class actions that were successfully resolved on behalf of aggrieved investors and consumers, including *In re Deutsche Telekom A.G. Securities Litigation* (S.D.N.Y.), which resulted in a \$120 million settlement fund for investors.

Ms. Stern is admitted to the Bar of the State of New York. She is also admitted to practice before the United States District Courts for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York.

Eric T. Chaffin is a former federal prosecutor in the Business and Securities Fraud Unit of the U.S. Attorney's Office in Brooklyn, New York, where he tried multiple cases and argued various appeals before the Second Circuit. Some of Mr. Chaffin's more notable white collar cases included the highly publicized Computer Associates International and Symbol Technologies accounting and securities fraud prosecutions (over \$1.2 billion and \$200 million respectively). Mr. Chaffin was also lead trial counsel in numerous criminal trials, including a successful securities fraud manipulation trial involving over \$20 million in investor losses.

Before joining the U.S. Attorney's Office, Mr. Chaffin was a litigator with Reed Smith LLP, where he represented Fortune 500 companies in a variety of individual and class actions. There, he also tried various arbitrations and administrative hearings and second-chaired the successful defense of an age discrimination case to verdict. Mr. Chaffin was also a lead attorney on a *habeas corpus* petition that resulted in the reversal of a death sentence for a Pennsylvania death row inmate. In 1997, Mr. Chaffin took leave from Reed Smith to clerk for the Honorable D. Brooks Smith of the United States District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania, who was since appointed to the Third Circuit Court of Appeals.

After leaving the U.S. Attorney's Office in 2003, Mr. Chaffin joined Seeger Weiss LLP, where as a partner his practice focused on individual and class securities fraud actions, consumer protection litigation and mass torts. Mr. Chaffin joined Bernstein Liebhard & Lifshitz, LLP as a partner in 2008,

where he specializes in securities litigation and pharmaceutical and health care-related litigation on behalf of the firm's individual and health and welfare fund clients.

Mr. Chaffin is currently working on *In re IPO Securities Litigation*. Mr. Chaffin's past plaintiff representations in the areas of securities, mass tort and consumer protection litigation include, among other matters, the following:

- Co-lead counsel in a \$17.5 million settlement with Dell and Dell Financial Services on behalf of defrauded consumers who were victimized by a "bait and switch" financing scheme.
- Served on the plaintiffs' counsel committees in the multidistrict litigation pertaining to defective Medtronic and Guidant heart devices in the District of Minnesota, which settled for over \$100 million and \$240 million respectively.
- Lead counsel for a Para-Olympic skier in an NASD arbitration against her former broker for unsuitable investments. The case was particularly significant because the financial losses were in a trust that was comprised of proceeds from a personal injury lawsuit that were meant to support the client after she lost her legs in an auto accident at a young age. The case settled for a significant confidential amount.
- Lead trial counsel for a California corporation in the Electronic Article Surveillance market in a David-and-Goliath type action for anti-competitive advertisements in violation of the Lanham Act in California federal court, which settled for a confidential amount on the eve of trial.

Mr. Chaffin received his B.A. from West Virginia University, graduating *summa cum laude* and *Phi Beta Kappa*, and was both an Arts & Sciences Scholar and a University Honors Scholar. He received his J.D. from Washington & Lee University School of Law, graduating *cum laude*. At Washington & Lee, Mr. Chaffin was a Staff Writer for the *W&L Environmental Law Digest*, was Chairman of the Davis Moot Court Board and tried three significant federal criminal cases to verdict with the Eastern District of Virginia U.S. Attorney's Office.

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